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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TOMONORI MINAGAWA

Application No.: 09/492,336

Filed: January 27, 2000

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2004 for three months from June 18, 2004 to September 20, 2004 (Monday).

Submitted herewith is a check for \$950.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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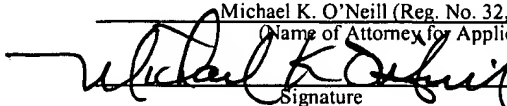
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Signature

September 20, 2004
Date of Signature

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,
California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to
be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael K. O'Neill", written over a horizontal line.

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